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### Truman's Program All Politics

PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S eleven-point program for the special session of Congress has been drawn skillivily to place the Republicans on the defensive and further dampen Henry A. Wallace's Third Party révoit. It bears study for the light it sheds on the master strategy which Mr. Truman is following in this campaign.

on the master strategy which Mr. Tryman is following in this campaign trick to putsion call is simply a campaign trick to putsion call is simply a campaign trick to putsion call is simply a campaign trick to putsion are countered by the President with a program that contains only one "unreasonable" request. He has asked for passage of the Taft-Eilender-Wagner Housing Bill, Federal aid to education, an increase in the minimum wage, expansion of social security benefits, reform of Federal pay scales, a civil rights program, revision of the displaced persons act, approval of a \$55,000,000 loan for erection of United Nations headquarter, in New York, Senate ratification of the international wheat squeezenest and restoration of \$55,000,000 that is in line with the Republican Party's own-platform commitments and the legislation is far enough advanced in each case to permit final action at this session. However, the significant point is that none of these isn items nor all of them to conclude the sent tems nor all of them tone of these isn items nor all of them tone of these isn items nor all of them tone of these isn items nor all of them tone of these isn items nor all of them tone of these isn items nor all of them tone of these isn items nor all of them tone of these isn tems nor all of them tone of these isn tems nor all of them tone of these consideration of all ten maters to next January in the normal Congressional procedure.

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Only Justification for summoning Con-gress back to Washington this Summer would come from the existence of an in-ternational or national emergency. Mr. -Truman pointedly has omitted the world

crisis from his program for Congress. The one domestic question approaching the dimensions of a national emergency is inflation, which Mr. Truman has put No. I on his list of subjects for the special session, and which is the "unreasonable" recommendation in his program.

Mr. Truman placed the inflation issue at

Mr. Truman placed the inflation issue at the top of the calendar in full knowledge of the fact that it is useless to call on this Congress for the measures he wants. He knows better than anyone that it is impossible for the Republican Party to approve the economic controls he requests under any circumstances except a state of war. The Republicang could not accept his proposal to revive a form of OPA without violating their basic philosophy and repudiating everything they have done to eliminate Government regulations in the last two years. wo years.
The President offers this program with

The President offers this program with cynical certainty that Congress cannot or will not deal with the one item in it that requires emergency action. It thus is clear the primary purpose of the special session call is to shift the campaign debate over inflation to the floors of Congress. In the control of the control o

New Dealer.

In line with this same strategy is the Administration's drive for civil rights, both through legislation and executive order. With these two issues, price controls and civil rights, Truman is making his main bid for the support of the metropolitan masses whose votes have kept the Democrate in office for stateen years. It is the use all the advantages of his high office to keep himself in power.

#### Stalin's Party In America

THE MADE-IN-MOSCOW sign is written
all over the platform of Henry A. Wallaces Third Party. In the light of this document it is impossible to look on Candidate
Wallace as anything except an agent for
Fremier Stalin of Russia, no matter what
the Third Party hero himself thinks he is
doing in the Presidential race.

In an examination of the Wallace pro-

(1) It is designed primarily to create dis-unity over America's bi-partisan foreign policy and is presented at a time to give the Kremlin the maximum amount of aid and comfort in the Berlin crists.

(2) Its second purpose is to provide the slogans and set the tactic for defense of the Communist Party against more restric-tive legislation or closer Government sur-veillance.

veillance.
(3) Its third sim is to exeate the widest possible public alarm over the nature of the Communist challenge in this country. The plank calling for nationalization of industry is simply a red flag waved in the face of American private business. It is the final proof, if such were needed, that this is a program for revolution and not a movement for liberal reforms.

In each plank calling for social or economic changes, the New Party takes a more extreme position than the Republicans or

the Democrats. This is dictated in part by a desire to attract new adherents among disaffected elements of the population but the central purpose is to provoke anger and fright among the defenders of the status

This is the familiar Communist tactic of This is the familiar Communist tactic of paralyzing orderly democratic progress by arousing reaction in its most intense form. It puts the Communist tag on many reforms that are favored by liberals and trade unionists and builds up sentiment gaginst any concession to change. Strategy Republicans and Democratic father to the right, producing governmental inaction, more timest and a storm which ultimately will benefit the extreme left.

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The threat presented by Wallace's Third
Party cannot be ignored but it is equally
important not to exagerate it. Elmo Ropcrea survey of the vote trend shows the
New Party has declined in the popular
opinion ifrom its peak of 63.per cent in
June to 46 in July and on this basis it will
get no more than 2 to 2 1.7 million votes in
November. That's less than half the number conceded Wallace in earlier estimates
by James A. Farley and other old-line politiclans. Only explanation we see for this
drop is that the voters are shying from the
New Party as the Red hue becomes more
pronounced.

## Putting The Squeeze On Russia

WE SHE that the Americans and the British have halted all international railway traffic to and from the Soviet zone of Germany via the Western or Allied zones. The size of the headlines and the tone of the press reports concerning this move would give the impression that the Allies had found an effective way to retail-ate against the Soviets for their Berlie blockade.

A bit of simple arithmetic reveals that the Soviet-bound traffic affected by this order amounts to a good deal less than the equivalent of one 40-car train a day. Ob-viously, the Russians aren't going to cry very pitcously over this treatment.

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This step, however, may be important despite the fact that it doesn't penalize the Russians enough to make them want to abandon the Berlin blockade. It is a good sign that the Allies are beginning to flook for ways to put a squeeze on the Moscow builtes instead of protesting and crying with alarm over harassment from the Soviet side.

In other words, the Allied rail blockade is evidence that the Westerners have con-cluded that there are other, ways beside going to war to make the Soviets come to reasonable terms. It is, indeed, an indica-

tion that the Allies are recovering their

nerve.

A good turn in this direction came recently when Secretary of State Marshall
scotched war talk at the same time that
he made it completely clear that we cannot be forced out of Berlin and will not be
deprived of any of the rights whith are
ours under four-power agreements. His
statement obviously was intended to steady
the Western world and sober up the Kremlin operators. lin operators.

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The plain fact is that Russia has been encouraged to continue in her obstructionals tourse by our own airmists, who have of our own people and some of our Alles grow panicky and call for timid measures. Former Prime Minister Churchill, Gen. William Donovan and others who lately have been issuing dire warnings may think they are bucking up the West and intimidating Moscow but what they actually are dojne is creating hysteria that impedes Allied the Russians that their blinf is working. What is most inceded at this time is a show of confidence. The sooner we quit agitating ourselves and find more ways to apply the squeeze, the quicker will Russia cease making a nulsante of herself.

From The Greensboro Daily News

### Compensations Of Age

THE Department of Labor has just issued I a report on the work habits of industrial workers which shows that workers over 45 stick to their jobs most consistently and have fewer accidents. This report will be good news to the "old men" of 50 or thereabouts who have been harboring the motion. That the boss might be thinking. notion that the boss might be thinking about replacing them with twenty-year-However, the employer who favore the

lighter-footed worker in his twenties had better take into consideration the fact that the younget worker will above a higher rate of absenteeism. Ball 'games and movies often have an irresistable appeal to the young, the Department of Labor report indicates. Likewise, their romantic dreaming may lead to ahop mishaps.

So give the veteran worker his due. What he lacks in zip usually will be compensated by his steadiness and care.

'Want To Borrow A Corkscrew. Suh, You-All?'



#### People's Platform

## Who's To Blame For Filth?

is so preva

the City would charge it to their taxes. Summer is here again and still nothing has been done.

I would like for the Jaycees to inspect this property and do what they can for my family and the many others who surround these woods,

I will say however, that the City has done a wonderful job in cleaning up the big ditch on Peachtree St. -F. C. MARKWALTER JR.

More Confusion CHARLOTTE

THE picture of the slum condition in the Negro I sections of Charlotte, presented in THE News by the articles of Mr. Tom Peperman, is very bad, by the articles of Mr. Tom Peperman, is very bad, are just as bad constituous among the shife sections, and it is not news. I have been a seleman all over Charlotte for ten or twelve years and it has been in this continuous among the seleman all over Charlotte for ten or twelve years and it has been in the continuous and the seleman all over Charlotte for the or twelve years and it has been in the continuous continuous and the seleman all over Charlotte, but I have also been in other cittee in the South and in the North and I also the cittee in the South and in the North and I also the the year and the pipers and tell the whole scale works also in I be pipers and tell the whole scale works also in I be pipers and tell the whole scale works also in II.

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#### Marquis Childs

# Republican Strategy

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Leaders in the special session of
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There would be nothing to pre-rent President Truman from calling There would be nothing to pre-vent President Truman from calling Congress back into season again it it adjourned without acting on the measure he is requesting. But this the President will not do. He will let it go home with another bias at the "worst Congress" in history

## Joseph & Stewart Alsop

## Truman Uses Whip

WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON Is a city of angry men. The Republicans are furious to a man. Southern blood is boiling. And President Harry S. Truman, the cause of it all, is angry too. His special message to continuous and a good deal less continuous and a good deal less continuous man a good deal less continuous de la continuous

shrill than his acceptance speech in Philadelphia. But the mood of that speech persists. In the property of th

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Yeary Clinton Anderson and Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder made it perfectly obvious before various. Congressional commutices with the continuous congressional commutices between the continuous constitutions of the continuous constitution of the Cabine the members that if any of them did not like the program, low was the time to say so, and SFEAK NOW.

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SPEAN NOW of dissert were breath accordingly. The Administration can be expected to present he special session program to the special session that the proposed session proposed session special session that the proposed session only be administered by an efficient executive; that a prolonged session that the proposed session special session that the proposed session special session special session that the proposed session special session that the proposed session of them said: appeared as one of them said: appeared to the special session that the proposed session special session that the proposed session of the special session that the proposed

#### Friendship At Home Is Also Important Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

A LOT of my Southern friends have been telling me I should be awfully careful how I discuss the current political rebellion below the Mason-Dixon Line. Undoubtedly they are right, on many people are already sore because of my nose-poking into all sorts of thinas, I suppose it won't have to get a few more people sore. So here except the form think I are more people sore. So here except into all stores of thinas, I suppose it won't have to get a few more people sore. So here except into the total to the control of the store that they are t

Mocoo radio every day about how Americans are feuding and name-calling over clvi thin or the state of the and the control of the state of the state of the are ever much on the spot in Berlip is a time when we sught to be preserving a reasonably united front back home.

What The Russians Forget

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WIE Russians of course, don't know-or care-that all
things are elite and then we've made a lot of progress
this country. It was only as recently as the 1919-20 postir period that a horrible massacre of Negroes occurred in
st St. Louis, while disgraceful near riots took place even
the nation's capital. The present post-war period has
an largely free from night Birmingham was stating its
bellion. Satchell Paige, Negro pitcher for the Cleveland
dians, pitched against the Washington Senators in the
lion's capital and a white batter who tried to unnerve
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I remember also the great furor created when Oscar De Priest, Republican Negro Congressman, was invited to a White Stouse teal in the Hoover Administration. The Republican series of the Proposition of the Republican series of the Proposition of

Ren. Dawson of Chicago has informed me that his col-leagues from the South have treated him with respect and courteers. The control of the control of the courter of the Am today in Georgia, a Nerro is running for the U. S. Senste against Sen. Dick Russell and is free to campaign where he pleases throughout the state. These are things the Soviet propagandists will not mention.

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The South's Real Leaders
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friends mad when he insisted on trying some taxl-drivers 
for bruching a Negro near Greenville, S. C. 

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framed down their throats by outsiders. Ells Arnall, when 
Governor of Georgia, had no trouble getting Georgia to 
though currently a lot of them have their backs up and if 
the poll tax issue came along today they would vote the 
other way.

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South and that there are a lot of fine Southerners who 
don't all share their views.

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Wiping Out Mason-Dixon Line
THE other day I met a man who has been doing his part
I at better understanding between the North and the
South—a gentleman named Champ Pickens, of Mont-

folks as possible are invited down to see the came.

Perhaps it might be a good idea for us to stage a lot of things like this—and to think a little bit more about our exist internal problems. We have been giving a lot of things like this—and to think a little bit more about the contract of the contra